

IN THE CLAIMS

Please AMEND the claims as follows:

1. - 2. (Canceled)

3. (Currently Amended) A ~~transformed~~ transgenic soybean plant having a nucleic acid molecule comprising a heterologous promoter operably linked to a polynucleotide that ~~has~~ is at least 95% or greater identity identical to at least 100 about 275 to about 350 contiguous nucleotides of SEQ ID NO : 1, or complete complements thereof, wherein said soybean plant produces seed with more oleic acid than a soybean plant having a similar genetic background but lacking said nucleic acid ~~sequence~~ molecule.

4. (Currently Amended) The ~~transformed~~ transgenic soybean plant according to claim 3, wherein a seed of said transformed soybean plant exhibits a modified fatty acid composition that is about 60-80% oleic acid.

5. (Currently Amended) The ~~transformed~~ transgenic soybean plant according to claim 4, wherein said promoter is a seed specific promoter.

6. (Currently Amended) The ~~transformed~~ transgenic soybean plant according to claim 3, wherein said polynucleotide ~~has~~ is at least 98% identity identical to at least 100 about 275 to about 350 contiguous nucleotides of SEQ ID NO:1, or complete complements thereof.

7. (Currently Amended) The ~~transformed~~ transgenic soybean plant according to claim 3, wherein said promoter is a 7S promoter.

8. (Currently Amended) The ~~transformed~~ transgenic soybean plant according to claim 3, wherein said polynucleotide ~~has~~ is at least 99% identity identical to at least 100 about 275 to about 350 contiguous nucleotides of SEQ ID NO:1, or complete complements thereof.

9. (Currently Amended) The ~~transformed~~ transgenic soybean plant according to claim 3, wherein said polynucleotide is 100% identical ~~at least 100 to about 275 to about 350~~ contiguous nucleotides of SEQ ID NO:1, or a complete complement thereof.

10. (Currently Amended) The ~~transformed~~ transgenic soybean plant according to claim 3, wherein said nucleic acid molecule is transcribed and is capable of selectively reducing the level of a transcript encoded by a *FAD2-1* gene while leaving the level of a transcript encoded by a *FAD2-2* gene partially unaffected.

11. (Currently Amended) The ~~transformed~~ transgenic soybean plant according to claim 3, wherein said nucleic acid molecule is transcribed and is capable of selectively reducing the level of a transcript encoded by a *FAD2-1* gene while leaving the level of a transcript encoded by a *FAD2-2* gene substantially unaffected.

12. (Currently Amended) The ~~transformed~~ transgenic soybean plant according to claim 3, wherein a seed of said transformed soybean plant exhibits a modified fatty acid composition that is about 65-75% oleic acid.

13. (Currently Amended) A ~~transformed~~ transgenic soybean plant having a nucleic acid molecule comprising a heterologous promoter operably linked to a nucleic acid sequence that ~~has~~ is at least 95% or greater identity identical to at least 100 about 275 to about 350 contiguous nucleotides of SEQ ID NO: 1, or complete complements thereof wherein a seed of said transformed soybean plant exhibits a modified fatty acid composition that is about 50-90% oleic acid.

14. (Currently Amended) The ~~transformed~~ transgenic soybean plant according to claim 13, wherein said nucleic acid sequence is transcribed and is capable of selectively reducing the level of a transcript encoded by a *FAD2-1* gene while leaving the level of a transcript encoded by a *FAD2-2* gene partially unaffected, substantially unaffected or essentially unaffected.

15 - 17. (Canceled)

18. (Withdrawn - currently amended) A method of producing a soybean plant having a seed with ~~a modified oil composition~~ increased oleic acid content comprising: transforming a soybean plant with a nucleic acid molecule ~~that comprises, as~~ comprising a heterologous promoter operably linked components, to a polynucleotide ~~a first promoter and a first nucleic acid molecule having a first nucleic acid sequence that has~~ is 85 95% or greater identity identical to

about 275 to about 350 contiguous nucleotides of a nucleic acid sequence selected from the group consisting of SEQ ID NO[[s]]: 1, 2, 4 through 14, or complete complements thereof, and fragments of either; and growing said soybean plant, wherein said soybean plant produces seed with a modified oil composition increased oleic acid content compared to a soybean plant having a similar genetic background but lacking said nucleic acid molecule.

19. (Canceled)

20. (Currently Amended) The ~~transformed~~ transgenic soybean plant according to claim 13, wherein said nucleic acid sequence ~~has is~~ is at least 98% ~~identity~~ identical to ~~at least 100~~ about 275 to about 350 contiguous nucleotides of SEQ ID NO:1, or complete complements thereof.

21. (Currently Amended) The ~~transformed~~ transgenic soybean plant according to claim 13, wherein said nucleic acid sequence ~~has is~~ is at least 99% ~~identity~~ identical to ~~at least 100~~ about 275 to about 350 contiguous nucleotides of SEQ ID NO:1, or complete complements thereof.

22. (Currently Amended) The ~~transformed~~ transgenic soybean plant according to claim 13, wherein said nucleic acid sequence is 100% identical to ~~at least 100~~ about 275 to about 350 contiguous nucleotides of SEQ ID NO:1.

23. (Currently Amended) The ~~transformed~~ transgenic soybean plant according to claim 3, wherein a seed of said transformed soybean plant exhibits a modified fatty acid composition that is about 50% or greater of oleic acid.